



## News Release

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### Cattle on Feed Down 1 Percent

**Iowa:** There were 1,355,000 cattle on feed for the slaughter market in all feedlots in Iowa on May 1, 2010, down 1 percent from April 1, 2010, but up 2 percent from May 1, 2009. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head had 600,000 head on feed, unchanged from last month, but up 11 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head had 755,000 head on feed, down 3 percent from last month and down 4 percent from last year.

Placements during April totaled 142,000 head, up 2 percent from last month and up 8 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head placed 76,000 head, down 1 percent from last month and down 4 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head placed 66,000 head. This is up 6 percent from last month and up 27 percent from last year.

Marketings for April were 156,000 head, down 5 percent from last month, but up 17 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity greater than 1,000 head marketed 72,000 head, down 14 percent from last month, but up 6 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity less than 1,000 head marketed 84,000 head, up 5 percent from last month and up 29 percent from last year. Other disappearance totaled 6,000 head.

**United States:** Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.5 million head on May 1, 2010. The inventory was 3 percent below May 1, 2009.

Placements in feedlots during April totaled 1.63 million, 2 percent above 2009. Net placements were 1.54 million head. During April, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 365,000, 600-699 pounds were 300,000, 700-799 pounds were 469,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 495,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during April totaled 1.85 million, 1 percent below 2009.

Other disappearance totaled 89,000 during April, 29 percent above 2009.

### All Cattle on Feed, Iowa

Item	Lots 1,000+ Head	Lots Less than 1,000 Head	All Lots
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)
Cattle on Feed, April 1, 2010 .....	600	775	1,375
April Placements .....	76	66	142
April Marketings .....	72	84	156
April Other Disappearance .....	4	2	6
Cattle on Feed, May 1, 2010 .....	600	755	1,355

# Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Placements and Marketings by Month, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots <sup>1</sup>

State	Cattle on Feed May 1			Placements during April			Marketings during April			April Disappearance other than Slaughter <sup>2</sup>		
	2009	2010	'10 as % of '09	2009	2010	'10 as % of '09	2009	2010	'10 as % of '09	2009	2010	'10 as % of '09
	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Percent)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Percent)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Percent)	(1,000 Head)	(1,000 Head)	(Percent)
Arizona .....	311	268	86	21	16	76	38	24	63	2	2	100
California .....	450	435	97	68	49	72	61	51	84	2	3	150
Colorado .....	1,010	940	93	150	170	113	165	145	88	15	15	100
Idaho .....	210	210	100	30	27	90	29	21	72	1	1	100
<b>Iowa .....</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>600</b>	<b>111</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>400</b>
Kansas .....	2,180	2,130	98	330	315	95	410	405	99	20	20	100
Nebraska .....	2,270	2,240	99	350	400	114	395	435	110	5	15	300
New Mexico ...	120	(D)	(D)	11	(D)	(D)	25	(D)	(D)	3	(D)	(D)
Oklahoma .....	315	325	103	52	57	110	66	70	106	1	2	200
South Dakota .	230	235	102	39	39	100	33	38	115	1	1	100
Texas .....	2,680	2,510	94	395	400	101	510	510	100	15	20	133
Other States ...	345	385	(X)	49	51	(X)	47	59	(X)	2	5	(X)
United States .	10,822	10,453	97	1,600	1,629	102	1,871	1,854	99	69	89	129

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

(X) Comparison to past year is not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

<sup>2</sup> Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

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